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PATENT

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In re Application of :  
Lukas HAHNE :  
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For: APPARATUS REPLACING ATMOSPHERIC OXYGEN WITH AN INERT GAS  
FROM A LAMINAR AIR BOUNDARY LAYER AND APPLICATION OF SAID  
APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: